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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly enter the following amended paragraph at page 1, of the specification, immediately following the heading "Related Applications", as follows:

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/347,283 entitled "Knowledge Server," filed on January 14, 2002, the contents of which are incorporated by reference into this patent application.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 12 with the following paragraph:

→This application is related to the following commonly owned U.S. patent

A2 applications, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference into the present

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